

ABSTRACT

Small girthed ice articles referred to as "ice sticks" having a girth allowing them to be easily placed through narrow openings and passages, and trays for the making of the same. A first form of the ice stick has a rectangular shape, a flat upper surface and tub-shaped sidewall, and having rounded corners. Preferred dimensions are on the order of: four inches long, about three-quarters of an inch wide, and about one half of an inch deep. A second form of an ice stick has a generally elliptical cross-section sidewall which gently tapers from an upper face toward an opposite bottom face. Preferred dimensions thereof are on the order of: about three inches long, wherein at the upper face the ellipse has a major axis of about three-quarters of an inch and a minor axis of about one-half of an inch, and wherein at the lower face the ellipse has a major axis of about three-eighths of an inch to about seven-sixteenth of an inch, however these dimensions may be varied from these. To provide the first form of sticks, a multi-compartmented lateral tray is provided, preferably formed of plastic. Each compartment is shaped complimentary to the aforementioned shape of the sidewall of the first form of ice stick. To provide the second form of ice stick, a vertical tray is provided, preferably formed of plastic, having a plurality of vertical compartments which are closed at the bottom, and each having the cross-sectional shape of the sidewall of the second form of ice stick.